



SRS Citizens Advisory Board

Executive Committee

Meeting Summary

January 14, 2002
Hilton Oceanfront - Palmetto Dunes
Hilton Head Island, SC

The SRS Citizens Advisory Board Executive Committee met on Monday, January 14, 2002, at 3:00 p.m. at the Hilton Oceanfront-Palmetto Dunes, Hilton Head Island, S.C. The meeting was held to discuss if the Board should conduct another process retreat and to determine if the Board should begin business meetings with the pledge of allegiance. The following were in attendance:

CAB Members

Karen Patterson*
Jean Sulc*
Mel Galin*
Jimmy Mackey*
Wade Waters*
Nancy Ann Ciehanski
Gerry Devitt

Stakeholders

Melinda Holland
Judith Bradbury
Liz Malone
Mary Drye
Mike Schoener, CAB

DOE/Contractors

Tom Heenan, DOE
Gerri Flemming, DOE
Dawn Haygood, WSRC
Teresa Haas, WSRC

*Executive Committee Members

Process Retreat Discussion

Karen Patterson asked if the CAB should hold another process retreat in 2002. Jean Sulc suggested the Board discuss communications and outreach. Wade Waters noted there were no major areas of concern resulting from the SRS CAB self evaluation. Nancy Ann Ciehanski suggested an educational retreat may be more appropriate. Board members discussed the need for more in-depth education than offered by new member orientation and decided a two-day education retreat should be held versus a process retreat in 2002.

Pledge of Allegiance Discussion

Board Member Murray Riley had suggested that Board meetings be opened with the pledge of allegiance. Karen Patterson asked for and gained approval from the Executive Committee to begin this practice. All were in agreement. Tom Heenan, DOE, noted that whoever leads the pledge must note that participation is voluntary.

Other Issues

Jimmy Mackey asked the Executive Committee to formally endorse him for participation on the Environmental Management Advisory Board. Karen Patterson suggested he first speak with Martha Crosland of EM-11 regarding the future of the Board. The Executive Committee voted to provide an official endorsement of Mr. Mackey for the EMAB by a vote of four in favor and one opposed.

Gerald Devitt requested assistance on behalf of the Center for Disease Control Health Effects Subcommittee in constructing hypothetical scenarios from the 1950's and people who may have lived on the river and what that might have been like.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

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